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SUBCHAPTER I—HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

§ 2001. House Office Building; control, supervision, and care

The House of Representatives Office Building, which shall hereafter be designated as the House Office Building and the employment of all service, other than officers and privates of the Capitol police, that may be appropriated for by Congress, necessary for its protection, care, and occupancy, shall be under the control and supervision of the Architect of the Capitol, subject to the approval and direction of a commission consisting of the Speaker of the House of Representatives and two Representatives in Congress, to be appointed by the Speaker. Vacancies occurring by resignation, termination of service as Representatives in Congress, or otherwise in the membership of said commission shall be filled by the Speaker, and any two members of said commission shall constitute a quorum to do business. The Architect of the Capitol shall submit annually to Congress estimates in detail for all services, other than officers and privates of the Capitol police, and for all other expenses in connection with said office building and necessary for its protection, care, and occupancy; and said commission herein referred to shall from time to time prescribe rules and regulations to govern said architect in making all such employments, together with rules and regulations governing the use and occupancy of all rooms and space in said building.

(Mar. 4, 1907, ch. 2918, 34 Stat. 1365; May 28, 1908, No. 30, 35 Stat. 578; Mar. 3, 1921, ch. 124, 41 Stat. 1291.)

CODIFICATION

Section was classified to section 175 of former Title 40, prior to the enactment of Title 40, Public Buildings, Property, and Works, by Pub. L. 107-217, § 1, Aug. 21, 2002, 116 Stat. 1062.

Section is based on act Mar. 4, 1907, popularly known as the “Sundry Civil Appropriation Act, fiscal year 1908” appropriating for the maintenance of such Building.

CHANGE OF NAME

Change of name of Architect of the Capitol, functions abolished, transferred, etc., by prior acts, see Prior Provisions and Change of Name notes set out under section 1801 of this title.

ACQUISITION OF SITE

Act Mar. 3, 1903, ch. 1007, 32 Stat. 1113, authorized acquisition of a site for and the construction of the House Office Building, and appointment of a Commission to supervise its construction.

Joint Resolution May 28, 1908, provided that it should be designated the House Office Building.

HOUSE PUBLIC ADDRESS SOUND SYSTEM ACTIVITIES; TRANSFER OF EMPLOYEES AND FUNDING

Pub. L. 104-197, title III, § 307, Sept. 16, 1996, 110 Stat. 2413, provided that:

“(a) Upon approval of the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives, and in accord-

ance with conditions determined by the Committee on House Oversight [now Committee on House Administration], positions in connection with House public address sound system activities and related funding shall be transferred from the appropriation for the Architect of the Capitol for Capitol buildings and grounds under the heading ‘CAPITOL BUILDINGS’ to the appropriation for salaries and expenses of the House of Representatives for the Office of the Clerk under the heading ‘SALARIES, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES’.

“(b) For purposes of section 8339(m) of title 5, United States Code, the days of unused sick leave to the credit of any such employee as of the date such employee is transferred under subsection (a) shall be included in the total service of such employee in connection with the computation of any annuity under subsections (a) through (e) and (o) of such section.

“(c) In the case of days of annual leave to the credit of any such employee as of the date such employee is transferred under subsection (a), the Architect of the Capitol is authorized to make a lump sum payment to each such employee for that annual leave. No such payment shall be considered a payment or compensation within the meaning of any law relating to dual compensation.”

501 FIRST STREET SE., DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA; DISPOSAL OF REAL PROPERTY

Pub. L. 104-99, title I, § 121, Jan. 26, 1996, 110 Stat. 30, as amended by Pub. L. 105-275, title I, § 110, Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2440, provided that:

“(a) DISPOSAL OF REAL PROPERTY.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Architect of the Capitol shall dispose of by sale at fair market value all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to the parcel of real property described in paragraph (9), including all improvements to such real property. Such disposal shall be made by quitclaim deed.

“(2) HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING COMMISSION.—The Architect of the Capitol shall carry out this section under the direction of the House Office Building Commission.

“(3) PROCEDURES.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the disposal under paragraph (1) shall be made in accordance with such procedures as the Architect of the Capitol determines appropriate.

“(4) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that the child care center of the House of Representatives should remain in operation during the implementation of this section.

“(5) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The deed of conveyance for the property to be disposed of under paragraph (1) shall contain such terms and conditions as the Architect of the Capitol determines are necessary to protect the interests of the United States.

“(6) DEPOSIT OF PROCEEDS.—All proceeds from the disposal under paragraph (1) shall be deposited in the account established by subsection (b).

“(7) ADVERTISING AND MARKETING.—The Architect of the Capitol shall begin advertising and marketing the property to be disposed of under paragraph (1) not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act [Jan. 26, 1996].

“(8) LOCAL ZONING AND OCCUPANCY REQUIREMENTS.—Until such date as the purchaser of the property to be disposed of under paragraph (1) takes full occupancy of such property, such property and the tenants of such property shall be deemed to be in compliance with all applicable zoning and occupancy requirements of the District of Columbia.

“(9) PROPERTY DESCRIPTION.—The parcel of real property referred to in paragraph (1) is the approximately 31,725 square feet of land located at 501 First Street, SE., on square 736 S, Lot 801 (formerly part of Reservation 17) in the District of Columbia. Such parcel is bounded by E Street, SE., to the north, First Street, SE., to the east, New Jersey Avenue, SE., to the west, and Garfield Park to the south.

“(b) SEPARATE ACCOUNT IN THE TREASURY.—

“(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the Treasury of the United States a separate account